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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 4935

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 4935 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Hearing Screening for Newborns Act is
5 amended by changing Sections 1, 5, 10, 15, and 30 and adding
6 Sections 2 and 23 as follows:

7 (410 ILCS 213/1)

8 Sec. 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the Early
9 Hearing Detection and Intervention Act ~~Hearing Screening for~~
10 ~~Newborns Act.~~

11 (Source: P.A. 91-67, eff. 7-9-99.)

12 (410 ILCS 213/2 new)

13 Sec. 2. Definitions. As used in this Act:

14 "Department" means the Department of Public Health.

15 "Medical care facility" means a hospital, birthing center,

1 and any other licensed facility that provides obstetrical and
2 newborn nursery services.

3 (410 ILCS 213/5)

4 Sec. 5. Mandatory hearing screening.

5 (a) Each medical care facility ~~By December 31, 2002, all~~
6 ~~hospitals performing deliveries~~ shall conduct bilateral
7 hearing screening of each newborn infant ~~of all newborn infants~~
8 prior to discharge unless medically contraindicated or the
9 infant is transferred to another hospital before the hearing
10 screening can be completed. If the infant is transferred to
11 another hospital prior to completion of the hearing screening,
12 the hospital to which the infant is transferred shall complete
13 the hearing screening prior to discharge. All medical care
14 facilities shall make provisions for an outpatient screening
15 for infants born outside a medical care facility.

16 (b) The facility performing the hearing screening shall
17 report the results of the hearing screening to the Department
18 within 7 days of screening.

19 If there is no hearing screening result or an infant does
20 not pass the hearing screening in both ears at the same time,
21 the medical care facility shall refer the infant's parents or
22 guardians to a health care practitioner for follow-up, and
23 document and report the referral, including the name of the
24 health care practitioner, to the Department in a format
25 determined by the Department.

1 For infants born outside a medical care facility, the
2 newborn's primary care provider shall refer the patient to a
3 medical care facility for the hearing screening to be done in
4 compliance with this Section within 30 days after birth, unless
5 a different time period is medically indicated.

6 (c) Follow-up to hearing screening includes:

7 (1) for newborns, infants, and children with confirmed
8 hearing loss, making the audiological, medical, language
9 and communication, aural habilitation, parent-to-parent
10 support, and intervention referrals and documenting the
11 referrals and outcomes to the Department or in the State's
12 designated data system; and

13 (2) for newborns, infants, and children with a
14 confirmed hearing loss, audiologists, early intervention
15 programs and providers, parent-to-parent support programs,
16 the Department of Human Services, and the University of
17 Illinois at Chicago Division of Specialized Care for
18 Children reporting screening, diagnosis, amplification,
19 and intervention outcomes to the Department.

20 (Source: P.A. 91-67, eff. 7-9-99.)

21 (410 ILCS 213/10)

22 Sec. 10. Reports to Department of Public Health.
23 Physicians, advanced practice nurses, physician assistants,
24 otolaryngologists, audiologists, ancillary health care
25 providers, early intervention programs and providers,

1 parent-to-parent support programs, the Department of Human
2 Services, and the University of Illinois at Chicago Division of
3 Specialized Care for Children shall report all hearing testing,
4 medical treatment, and intervention outcomes related to
5 newborn hearing screening or newly identified hearing loss for
6 children birth through 6 years of age to the Department.
7 Reporting shall be done within 7 days after the date of service
8 or after an inquiry from the Department. Reports shall be in a
9 format determined by the Department. ~~Hospitals shall report~~
10 ~~information about each child with a positive hearing screening~~
11 ~~result to the Illinois Department of Public Health.~~

12 (Source: P.A. 91-67, eff. 7-9-99.)

13 (410 ILCS 213/15)

14 Sec. 15. Department of Public Health to maintain registry
15 of cases. The Illinois Department of Public Health shall
16 maintain a registry documenting screening, diagnosis, and
17 intervention of cases of positive hearing screening results,
18 including information needed for the purpose of follow-up
19 services.

20 (Source: P.A. 91-67, eff. 7-9-99.)

21 (410 ILCS 213/23 new)

22 Sec. 23. Information sharing.

23 (a) For the purposes of documentation and coordination of
24 medical care or intervention services, the Department may share

1 newborn hearing screening information with medical care
2 facilities, health care providers, early intervention programs
3 and providers, local health departments, the Department of
4 Human Services, and the University of Illinois at Chicago
5 Division of Specialized Care for Children.

6 (b) For the purposes of documentation and coordination of
7 medical care or intervention services, medical care
8 facilities, health care providers, early intervention programs
9 and providers, local health departments, the Department of
10 Human Services, and the University of Illinois at Chicago
11 Division of Specialized Care for Children shall submit
12 information or reports about newborn, infant, and child hearing
13 screening and diagnostic testing, follow-up services,
14 intervention, and parent support services to the Department.
15 Documentation is only required to be provided for those
16 services provided. Reporting shall be done within 7 days of the
17 date of service or an inquiry from the Department. Reports
18 shall be in a format determined by the Department. Reports by
19 medical care facilities shall be in accordance with only
20 subsections (a) and (b) of Section 5.

21 (c) Except in cases of willful or wanton misconduct, no
22 health care provider, hospital, or medical facility acting in
23 compliance with this Section shall be civilly or criminally
24 liable for any act performed in compliance with this Section,
25 including furnishing information required according to this
26 Section.

1 (410 ILCS 213/30)

2 Sec. 30. Rules. The Department ~~of Human Services~~ shall
3 adopt ~~promulgate~~ rules necessary to implement this Act.

4 (Source: P.A. 91-67, eff. 7-9-99.)

5 (410 ILCS 213/20 rep.)

6 Section 10. The Hearing Screening for Newborns Act is
7 amended by repealing Section 20.

8 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
9 becoming law."